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DIVISION OF MEDICAID AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH OPERATIONS

December 28, 2012

Jason Helgerson
Medicaid Director, Deputy Commissioner
Office of Health Insurance Programs
NYS Department of Health
Corning Towers (OCP-1211)
Albany, New York 12237

Dear Mr. Helgerson:

We have completed our review of the submission of New York's State Plan amendment (SPA) 12-16 which was received in office June 28, 2012 and find it acceptable for incorporation into New York's Medicaid State Plan. This SPA proposes to reimburse Article 28 clinics and private practitioners for lactation counseling services for pregnant and postpartum women when such services are ordered by a licensed physician, registered physician assistant, registered nurse practitioner, licensed midwife and provided by a certified lactation consultant, as determined by the Commissioner of Health.

Please note the approval date of this SPA is December 28, 2012 with an effective date of September 1, 2012. Copies of the approved State Plan pages and the signed CMS-179 are enclosed.

Should you have any questions or concerns please contact Vennetta Harrison at (212) 616-2214.

Sincerely,

Ricardo Holligan
Acting Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures